(b) The artistes of Shriram Bhartiya Kala Kendra had gone on strike w.e.f. 3-10-1984 rsgarding their demands as mentioned against (a) above. At the intervention of the Labour Department of Delhi Administration the strike was withdrawn w.e.f. 21-2-1985 as the demands regarding increase in wages, introduction of D.A., regularisation of services, issue of appointment letters, wages for srike period and also the termination of services of two employees were referred to the Industrial Tribunal for adjudication.

(c) The following aid/grants were given by Government of India during the last three years.

1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)
1,62,000	1,80,000	1,80,000
12,000	12,000	12,000
10,000	10,000	10,000
25,000	25,000	18,500
..	..	20,000
2,09,000	2,27,000	2,40,50 0

(d) On receipt of information about the dispute both the parties were called for discussions by the Conciliation Officer, Joint Labour Commissioner and Labour Commissioner, Delhi Administration to settle the demands on a number of occasions. Since the demands could not be settled mutually, the same were referred to the Industrial Tribunal for adjudication. As regards regular payment of wages, the Labour Inspector was directed to visit the establishment regularly so that the wages are paid in time by the management.

240. [*Transferred to the 25th November, 1985*].

Employment Exchanges

241. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of Employment Exchanges in the country at present;

(b) what is the total number of unemployed persons who have registered themselves at these Exchanges as at present; and

(c) what is the total number of persons who got employment during the last three years through the Employment Exchanges?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJAIAH): (a) Total number of employment exchanges at the end of August, 1985 were 800 including 80 University Employment Information and Guidance Bureaux.

(b) Total number of job-seekers on the live registers of the employment exchanges at the end of August, 1985 was 253.7 lakhs.

(c) The total number of job seekers placed in Employment through employment exchanges during 1982, 1983 and 1984 was 1366.6 thousands.

Amendments in Labour Laws

242. SHRIMATI MONIKA DAS: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring about amendments in the labour laws; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJAIAH): (a) and (b) Labour laws